

Marcia Van Oyen

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Credentials

- **Doctor of Musical Arts in Church Music and Organ, The University of Michigan, May 1992**, Advisor and Organ Instructor: Robert Glasgow
 - **Associate of the American Guild of Organists (AAGO)**
 - **Master of Music in Church Music and Organ, The University of Michigan, July 1989**, Organ Instructor: Robert Glasgow
 - **Bachelor of Arts in Church Music, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan; May 1987**
 - Additional private instruction in organ with Paul Manz and Huw Lewis
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Experience

- **Minister of Music, Worship and Fine Arts:** Plymouth First United Methodist Church, June 2006 - present. Duties including directing Chancel Choir and Orchestra, directing bell choir and children's choir for 10 years, development of the Music@First Fine Arts Academy and NOTEworthy Concert series, planning worship, overseeing all aspects of music ministry and supervising music staff
- **Associate Director of Music/Organist:** Plymouth First United Methodist Church, August 2005 - May 2006.
- **North American Correspondent** for Choir & Organ magazine, 2000 - 2008
- **Director of Music and Organist:** Glenview Community Church, Glenview, Illinois, September 1995 - June 2005. Duties included administrating and promoting development of the music program, directing handbell choir, serving as organist, supervising other music staff members, developing organ concert series.
- **Interim Director of Music:** First Presbyterian Church; Lake Forest, Illinois, December 1994 - August 1995. Responsibilities expanded to include directing adult choir, two adult handbell choirs, development of folk choir, administration of music program, serving as organist.
- **Organist and Director of Lakeminster Ringers:** First Presbyterian Church, Lake Forest, Illinois, Organist, January 1994 - August 1995.
- **Interim Organist:** Glenview Community Church; Glenview, Illinois, October - December 1993.

- **Director of Music:** Christ Church United Methodist, Glens Falls, New York, January - August 1993. Revitalized music program; directed adult choir and tripled its membership, established and directed handbell and children's choirs; served as organist.
 - **Minister of Parish Music:** Faith Lutheran Church, Livonia, Michigan, July 1990 - July 1992. Supervised music program; directed adult and handbell choirs; established and directed a children's choir; served as organist.
 - **Director of Music:** First United Methodist Church, Garden City, Michigan, October 1987 - June 1990. Directed adult, handbell, and youth choirs; served as organist; organized music for ecumenical services.
 - **Assistant Organist/Choir Director:** First United Methodist Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan, May 1986 - August 1987.
 - **Chancel Choir Director:** Bethel Reformed Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan, September 1985 - June 1986.
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Professional Service

- **Fundraiser,** Ann Arbor AGO Pipe Organ Encounter, 2014
 - **Committee Member,** Michigan Organ Improvisation Competition, 2010 - 2013
 - **Director,** National AGO Development Committee, 2012 - 2013 and committee member 2009 - 2015
 - **Chair, Gifts and Grants, 2006 National AGO Convention**
 - **Member, Steering Committee, 2006 National AGO Convention**
 - **Writer for *The Diapason*,** reviews and articles, 1994 - 2008
 - **Director,** National AGO Committee for Membership Development and Chapter Support, July 2006-2008 (committee member since 2002)
 - **Member,** National AGO Task Force for Issues of Guild Inclusiveness, 2004 - 2005
 - **Dean,** North Shore Chapter American Guild of Organists, 1997-99
 - **Sub-Dean,** North Shore Chapter American Guild of Organists, 1995-97
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Recordings and Publications (complete list at mvanoyen.com)

- **Sanctuary** – choral music performed by the Plymouth First United Methodist Church Chancel Choir and Festival Bells; organ music performed by Marcia Van Oyen, recorded May 2015
- **Visions of Eternity** – organ music evoking themes of resurrection and eternal life, Raven Recordings, OAR-570, © 2001
- **Fanfares, Flourishes and Trumpet Tunes** – organ music for weddings and ceremonial occasions, recorded at Glenview Community Church, November 2000.
- **A Handbook for Organ Committees** – a pipe organ project guide for organ committees, self-published 2000.